Town of North Smithfield Historic District Commission

Minutes of September 22, 2014

A meeting of the North Smithfield Historic District Commission was held on Monday, September 22, 2014 at 6:30 PM

Heritage Hall, 101 Greene St. Street, Slatersville, RI

Call to order: 6:43

Members Present: Daniel Couture, Christian de Rezendes, Jeffrey Fontaine,

Jeffrey Harris, Elizabeth Martin, Eric Piette

Members Absent: none

Materials Distributed: Agenda, Minutes for August 25, 2014

Approval of Minutes from August 25, 2014

Minutes from the August 25 meeting was unanimously approved.

Applications

No applications filed.

Old Business

- A. <u>F.Y.I.</u> Meeting to be held on Thursday, September 25, 2014 at 10:00am at the RI Department of Transportation, TMC conference room, Providence, RI with RI D.O.T. et al. for Old Stone Arch Bridge Design Review.
- B. Review grant opportunities for the Forestdale Schoolhouse master plan (re: joint venture with the North Smithfield Heritage Association).
 - 1. NSHDC should concentrate on finding grant opportunities.
 - 2. NSHA may need to look to local businesses for contributions so it can then meet the application requirements for grant money from those foundations which offer only matching grants.

New Business

- A. The status of Slatersville as a North Smithfield Historic District is scheduled to sunset this November.
 - 1. Town Council meetings and proper notifications are required to discuss any extension/ continuation of Slatersville as a recognized North Smithfield Historic District.
 - 2. Administration plans to forward a proposal to Town Council to establish a Slatersville Historic District as a yet to be determined extension of time or in perpetuity. Item will be on Town Council docket for public hearing in October.

Subcommittee Reports:

- A. Subcommittee: Union Village Historic District Research Committee
 - 1. Research is ongoing.

- B. Subcommittee Report: <u>Rhode Island Historic Preservation and Heritage Commission for Certified Local Government Grant(NSHDC CLG Grant Committee).</u>
 - 1. The RIHPHC has finally posted the CLG grant application on their website (matching funds required) and the Commission will look into viable options with this grant for the Master Plan for the Forestdale Schoolhouse.
- C. Subcommittee Report : North Smithfield Historic District Commission

Standards and Guidelines (NSHDC S&G Committee):

1. The Commission will look into applying for the RIHPHC CLG grant recently posted on their website, and look to use the matching funds set aside in the NS Town budget for 2015. The overall cost of the brochure is estimated around \$500.00 so the matching funds are set not to exceed \$250.00.

Meeting Adjourned

The meeting was called to a close at 7:47

Motion: Daniel Couture Seconded: Jeff Fontaine

All in favor

Opposed: None

Next Meeting: Monday, October 27, 2014